

Mr. A. Gopala Menon : The decrease in the strength in the Departmental Primary Schools is due to ;

- (1) the abolition or amalgamation of over-lapping schools.
- (2) the opening of new schools under private managements to suit the requirements of the various localities ; and
- (3) the migration of pupils from departmental to private schools to satisfy the new rule fixing a minimum strength of 40 pupils in each class for earning grant-in-aid

Text books.

15. * **Mr. A. N. Satyanesan :** Will the Government be pleased to state ;

- (a) the number of text books revised in 1119 ;
- (b) the expenditure incurred thereby ; and
- (c) the personnel engaged on the work ?

Mr. A. Gopala Menon : (a) 4.

(b) No payment was made in 1119.

(c) Malayalam Grammar and Composition Part III—

Mr. P. Ananthan Pillai.

Agriculture Part I (Malayalam)—Mr. T. K. Koshy.

Elementary Mathematics Part II (Tamil)—Mr. K. S.

Krishnaswami Iyengar.

Travancore History (Malayalam)—Mr. P. N. Kunjan Pillai.

Kayamkulam-Kartikapalli road.

16 * **Mr. G. Madhavan** (*Karunagapally, Kartikapalli and Ambalapuzha cum Shertallai*) : Will the Government be pleased to give the following particulars in regard to the Kayamkulam-Kartikapalli road,

- (a) the total length ,
- (b) the length of the completed portion ;
- (c) whether land for the whole is acquired ; and
- (d) the reasons for the delay in completing the road ?

Mr. I. C. Chacko : (a) Eight miles.

(b) The work in the first section of the road from Kayamkulam to Pullukulangara, 2 miles in length is in progress.

(c) No.

(d) Non-assumption of lands.

Mr. G. Madhavan : May I know from the honourable member how much land is required for the completion of the road?

Mr. I. C. Chacko : The exact area of the land is not known to me. The information must be available with the Revenue Department,